

Climate Change and the Cranky Uncle

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Global Climate Change

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Announcements

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- Lab this week:
 - No new lab work
 - Starting next week you will work on original projects (individual or in pairs)
 - For this week, think about what you would like to work on
 - Today's lab will be for discussing possible projects
 - Project proposal (informal, a couple of paragraphs) due this Friday (March 12)
 - Projects will be due April 1

The Cranky Uncle



The Cranky Uncle Game

- Open the game on your phone or at <https://app.crankyuncle.info/home>
- Log in with group code VUCLIM
- Don't opt in to take the research quiz at this time
 - It will take about 10 minutes at the start and 10 more minutes at the end.
- Take 20 minutes to play that game on your own.
 - When you finish the first five causes of misinformation, then it will unlock the detailed questions about logical fallacies, cherry picking, and conspiracy theories
 - Can you think of examples you have heard from other people of climate misinformation using these patterns?
 - If something seems confusing and you would like me to explain, ask in the chat or unmute and speak up
- After 20 minutes of play, we'll break out into rooms to discuss the different kinds of misinformation, then come back for a group discussion.

Play the game



Discuss the game in breakout rooms



Group discussion

- Was there any question from the game that you found especially interesting?
- Was there any one of the FLICC

FLICC Review

-  Fake experts
-  Logical fallacies
 -  Ad hominem
 -  Ambiguity
 -  False analogy
 -  False choice
 -  Red herring
 -  Single cause
 -  Straw man
-  Impossible expectations
-  Cherry picking
 -  Anecdote
 -  Slothful induction
-  Conspiracy theories
 -  Contradictory
 -  Immunity to evidence
 -  Nefarious intent
 -  Overriding suspicion
 -  Persecuted victim
 -  Something must be wrong